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Dear Sir/Madam:

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2003. Applicants elect the species directed to gamma modes of operation, currently including claims 4, 8-17 and 20-23. Applicants also elect acknowledged generic claims 1-3, 7, 18 and 19.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 281-285-7325 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to this patent application.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is requested to grant a petition for the extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such petition and extension of time or credit any overpayment for such petition and extension of time to deposit Account No.19-0610.

Respectfully submitted,

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